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SUBJECT: JORGE JARDIM ANNOUNCES "POSITION"

REF: (A) LM 557; (B) LM 575; (C) LM 568

1. IN LETTER DATED JULY 15 (NO PLACE INDICATED) AND PUBLISHED IN DIARIO NEXT DAY, JORGE JARDIM ANNOUNCED HIS POSITION AS FAVORING "INALIENABLE RIGHT OF MOZAMBIQUE TO INDEPENDENCE OBTAINED BY PARTICIPATION OF ALL MOZAMBIANS WITHIN PROGRAM ESTABLISHED BY ARMED FORCES MOVEMENT", TO WHOSE IDEALS AND IDEAS HE EXPRESSES HIS COMPLETE AGREEMENT. HE DENIED PRESS ACCUSATIONS AGAINST HIM, NOTABLY THAT HE
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WAS BEHIND "CERTAIN GROUPS IN VILA PEREIRA, THE ORGANIZATION

OF MANEUVERS OR AGITATION AMONG WORKERS IN BEIRA, SOME
TERRORIST ATTACKS AGAINST CIVILIANS", AND ABOVE ALL THAT
HE FAVORED WHITE-DOMINATED UDI. HE ANNOUNCED HIS INTENTION
TO CONTINUE SERVING MOZAMBIQUE FOR PROMPT REESTABLISHMENT
OF PEACE AND RACIAL HARMONY, AND CALLED ON MOZAMBICANS
FORGET DIFFERENCES AND AID THOSE WHO SEEKING SOLUTIONS
ACCEPTABLE TO ALL.

2. IN LAST WEEK OR SO THERE HAVE BEEN RUMORS OF "REACTIONARY"
MILITARY UNITS OPERATING UNDER JARDIM'S AEGIS AROUND VILA
PERY, WHICH HAVE BEEN GIVEN HEAVY PLAY IN SOUTH AFRICAN
MEDIA ON ASSUMPTION THEY CONSTITUTED FULFILLMENT OF JARDIM'S
PROMISE (REF A) TO MAKE HIS NAME HEARD AROUND JULY 13.
VILA PERY LOCAL COMMAND IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE ADMITTED EX-
ISTANCE OF "NON-FRELIMO" UNITS IN AREA LEADING TO INTEN-
SIFIED SECURITY MEASURES OVER JULY 13-14 WEEKEND. NOTHING
FIRM HAS COME OF THIS, AND VILA PERY GOVERNOR ANNOUNCED
JULY 16 THAT EVERYTHING NORMAL AND ANNUAL CITY ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATIONS (PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS CANCELLED -- (REF B)
NOW GOING ON AS SCHEDULED. STORIES OF JARDIM-BACKED MILITARY
ACTION REMAIN UNCONFIRMED.

3. IN BEIRA, LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES OF EUROPEAN-BASED CON-
VERGENCIA DEMOCRATICA (CDM) ORGANIZATION, MANY OF WHOM ARE
CLOSELY LINKED TO JARDIM, HAVE BEEN TALKING WITH VARIOUS
ANTI-FRELIMO GROUPS INCLUDING THE COREMO/JOANA SIMIAO
COALITION, FRECOMO. SIMIAO SAYS, HOWEVER, THAT CDM HAS
BACKED OUT OF PARTICIPATION IN FRECOMO'S PLANNED CONGRESS
OF PEOPLES (REF C) AND IS INSTEAD DEALING WITH MIGUEL MARUPA7S
NEW MONIPOMO.

4. COMMENT: JARDIM THUS REMAINS ACTIVE ON MOZAMBIQUE SCENE,
THOUGH HIS LETTER TO NEWSPAPERS SEEMS VERY UNSPECTACULAR
(FOR HIM) FULFILLMENT OF PROMISE MAKE HIS NAME HEARD FROM,
IF INDEED IT INTENDED AS SUCH. HE PRESUMABLY STILL TRYING
PROMOTE AN INDEPENDENT MOZAMBIQUE MORE LIKELY TO BE FAVOR-
ABLE TO HIS INTERESTS AND THOSE OF HIS MALAWIAN FRIENDS
THAN THE SOCIAL REVOLUTION PROMISED BY FRELIMO; TO THIS
END, IN ADDITION TO CONTINUED MANEUVERING IN THE POLITICAL
CAMP, HE MAY BE SEEKING TO SALVAGE AND LEGITIMIZE HIS
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POSITION VIS-A-VIS MOZAMBIQUE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT.

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